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Transportation

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**LOOKING
TO SAVE
90
LIVES
OR MORE...**

Missourians Rally to Support Primary Safety Belt Law

Safety advocates from around the state gathered at the Capitol March 6 to rally in support of House Bill 90 - the primary safety belt legislation. When passed and signed into law, the measure will allow an officer to stop a vehicle if he/she observes a safety belt violation. A primary safety belt law has the potential to increase Missouri's usage rate by 11 percent, saving 90 lives each year. [Primary](#)

Smooth Roads Will Save Motorists \$100 Million a Year

Smoother roads from MoDOT's Better Roads, Brighter Future program will save Missouri motorists about \$100 million a year in fuel costs. [Smooth Roads](#)

Oldest MoDOT Retiree is 104

Over the past century, there have been plenty of advancements and changes in the way our world works, and Abner Gwinn has been here to see them all. At 104 years old, Gwinn, of Jefferson City, is MoDOT's oldest living retiree. [Retiree](#)

Snow Fighting Facts

Winter has hit Missouri hard and fast this year, keeping MoDOT busy with snow and ice removal. What exactly does it take to make roadways safe for motorists? Manpower, salt and equipment. [Snow Fight](#)

SAFER ROADS

We're Local
and Listening



MoDOT Waits for a Green Light for New Red-Light Running Sign

With the continued interest in automated enforcement throughout the state, MoDOT has proposed the use of a new sign that will more effectively designate where red-light running cameras are in use while saving time and money, too. [Red Light](#)

Battle of the Belt Conquered by Two Missouri High Schools

Two Missouri schools, Ava High School and Southern Reynolds County R-II High School in Ellington, participated in the statewide Battle of the Belt program where high schools competed against each other to increase safety belt use and potentially save lives. [Battle](#)

OFF THE ROAD NEWS

New Branson Airport Under Construction

A new general aviation airport is under construction in Branson West that will provide more convenient and quicker access for the aviation community to the Branson area. This will be the seventh new airport built by MoDOT since 1990. The airport will have a 5,000-foot runway and foster development of other businesses in this region. The Branson West Municipal Airport should be completed in late summer 2008 and will be open to the public.

HAVE YOU SEEN THIS?

New Link to Project Bid Opening Information

A new Contractor Resources section of MoDOT's Web site makes it easier for visitors to find information for MoDOT bid openings and awards. MoDOT has recently updated this site to make it more user-friendly, based on comments, suggestions and feedback from web visitors. [Bid Openings](#)



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